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TAGS: OVIP, TD (MRS. CARTER)

SUBJECT: PLANNING FOR MRS. CARTER'S VISIT
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REF: (A) BOGOTA 3848; (B) STATE 104923

1. FOR ALL POSTS ON THE TRIP: YOUR QUICK RESPONSE AND HELPFUL SUGGESTIONS AS PLANNING FOR MRS. CARTER'S VISIT GETS UNDERWAY HAVE BEEN MUCH APPRECIATED.
2. AN ADVANCE TEAM OF SIX PEOPLE FROM THE WHITE HOUSE AND THE DEPARTMENT WILL BE LEAVING WASHINGTON EARLY ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 11. DETAILS ON TRAVEL PLANS FOLLOW SOONEST.
3. YOU ARE REQUESTED TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING ASPECTS OF MRS. CARTER'S VISIT, IN ADDITION TO THOSE OUTLINED IN REFTEL
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(B) IN ORDER TO FACILITATE CONSULTATIONS ON ARRIVAL OF THE ADVANCE TEAM.

4. MEETING WITH EMBASSY STAFF: YOU SHOULD CONSIDER THE MOST EFFECTIVE AND CONVENIENT WAY OF PROVIDING MRS. CARTER AN OPPORTUNITY TO BRIEFLY ADDRESS ASSEMBLED LOCAL AND AMERICAN STAFF.

5. MEETING WITH AMERICAN COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES: SHOULD POSTS DEEM IT APPROPRIATE TO INCLUDE A MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE RESIDENT AMERICAN COMMUNITY, PLEASE SELECT SUCH A GROUPING TO BE AS BROADLY REPRESENTATIVE AS POSSIBLE.

6. RECIPROCAL SOCIAL EVENTS: SCHEDULING DIFFICULTIES MAY PRECLUDE RECIPROCAL SOCIAL EVENTS DURING SOME SEGMENTS OF MRS. CARTER'S TRIP. SMALL WORKING LUNCHEONS MAY BE POSSIBLE. IN OTHER CASES LARGE MORNING COFFEES OR AFTERNOON TEAS MAY SERVE AS RECIPROCAL EVENTS.

7. FOR BOGOTA: LATEST SCHEDULING SUGGESTIONS FROM MRS. CARTER'S STAFF, AS OF MAY 9, ARE:

THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 1977

MID-LATE AFTERNOON -- ARRIVE BOGOTA FROM RECIFE, BRAZIL

EVENTS: -- AIRPORT GREETING; BRIEF REMARKS; PRESS
-- BILATERAL TALKS WITH PRESIDENT LOPEZ, FOREIGN MINISTER LIEVANO, ETC.
-- PRESS
-- OFFICIAL DINNER

FRIDAY, JUNE 10, 1977

EVENTS: -- VISIT TO GOLD MUSEUM (?)
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-- ISSUE EVENT (WITH MRS. LOPEZ)
-- ISSUE EVENT--AMERICAN EMBASSY STAFF, AMERICAN COMMUNITY, COLOMBIAN OFFICIALS, ET. AL.

12:30 OR 1:00 -- DEPART BOGOTA EN ROUTE TO CARACAS
(LUNCH ON BOARD)

8. NOTE: USE OF THE TERM "PRESS" DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN PRESS CONFERENCE; IT MAY ONLY MEAN PRESS OPPORTUNITY FOR PHOTOS OR PERHAPS BRIEF COMMENTS. THE SPECIFIC NATURE OF EACH PRESS EVENT CAN BE DISCUSSED WITH THE ADVANCE TEAM. THE TEAM LOOKS TO POSTS FOR SUGGESTIONS OF COURSE.

9. WE WISH TO EMPHASIZE ONCE AGAIN THAT THIS SCHEDULE IS PURELY ILLUSTRATIVE, AND THE ADVANCE TEAM WILL BE LOOKING FOR GUIDANCE FROM THE EMBASSIES ON WAYS TO INCREASE THE INFORMAL, SUBSTANTIVE, AND POPULAR IMPACT OF MRS. CARTER'S TRIP. CHRISTOPHER

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